Army MEPRS Program Office Newsletter

Bacon's Bits   December 3, 2012

Where has the time gone? Thanksgiving snuck up on most of us and Christmas is just around the corner and before we know it, we will be celebrating 2013. I sometimes think time should have a reverse gear. As we fly headlong into FY13, I want to make you aware of some changes for FY13. I decided it was time to make changes to the queries that produce the Data Quality Site Summary Reports. We have been providing the DQ Report for several years, and now is a good time to reevaluate our data quality efforts. Please read the article on page 2 for more information.

You may have noticed the changes to the EAS IV Repository Data Dictionary which is now more comprehensive and streamlined and provides specific guidance for each EAS IV Repository element. The new format combines class summaries into a single Excel file and looks similar to the M2 Data Dictionary. I am sure you have also noticed the change to the WWR-EAS IV Outliers Metric which was relabeled to Workload Outliers. Although the core features of this metric remain intact, total visits are now evaluated against the appointment data in the M2 instead of the WWR. Also, the Five Minute MEPRS University (5M2U) added a new module entitled "Getting Started with WEBi and DESKi which describes the distinction between your BOXi options. For more information on these changes and the upcoming changes to the DOD 6010.13-M, please read the latest TMA MEPRS newsletter available at www.MEPRS.info.

Once again, I want to say thank you for all your hard work and dedication. In spite of all the systems issues, we closed out FY12 with a 94% compliance rate for on-time data submissions. I want to extend my congratulations to Diane Papke and her staff for their exceptional efforts in making the Best-of-the-Best for every month in FY12.
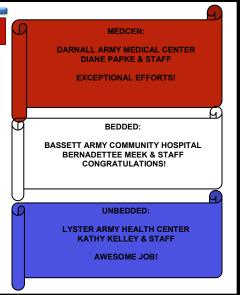
AMPO would like to wish Happy Holidays to our extended MEPRS family. Enjoy this joyous season with family and friends.

Have a great month!

BEST-OF-THE-BEST Data Reporting Month of September 2012

Army Medical Treatment Facilities (MTF) MEPRS Office personnel are known for their dedication and meticulous performance of their duties. This is evident when reviewing the compliance with requirements placed on them from within their commands along with those imposed by MEDCOM.

MTF Ranking is based on point values assessed for compliance with current FY EAS Timeliness, Defense Medical Human Resource System internet (DMHRSi) Timecard Compliance, Financial Reconciliation submission, Narrative submission, Discrepancies for FY08-FY12 (AMPO Discrepancies, and Unauthorized FTE's), and un-validated discrepancies on the Advice and Assist Reports generated as a result of MEWACS data population. Contact your AMPO analyst for additional details on the ranking methodology.

MEDCEN:

**DARNALL ARMY MEDICAL CENTER
DIANE PAPKE & STAFF**

EXCEPTIONAL EFFORTS!

BEDDED:

**BASSETT ARMY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
BERNADETTEE MEEK & STAFF
CONGRATULATIONS!**

UNBEDDED:

**LYSTER ARMY HEALTH CENTER
KATHY KELLEY & STAFF**

AWESOME JOB!

CBMH LEASE COSTS

In an effort to ensure CBMH lease costs are accurately reported, AMPO is providing the following guidance. CBMH lease costs are to be reported in the approved EDF*/DMIS ID approved on the CBMH Attachment 3.

-When setting up the EDF*/DMIS ID dataset ensure the DMIS ID of the CBMH is in the DMIS ID Includes list.

-Ensure B%, D%, E% are listed in the FCC Includes List on the EDF*/DMIS ID dataset.

-Since the EDF*/DMIS ID dataset allocates based on Square Footage, it is necessary to ensure all the work centers within the CBMH have Square Footage reported on the Square Footage Dataset.

-The Square Footage for the shared space (front desk, reception area, etc) will need to be split between the benefitting work centers (B%, D%, and E%) of the CBMH.

Currently, a review of the EDF*/DMIS ID datasets reveals many are not setup correctly and are allocating the CBMH lease cost to only one work center (medical home/MEPRS FCC) within the CBMH practice.

AMPO EMAILS

When replying to forwarded or sent messages from the AMPO office, please respond to your AMPO analyst as well as a courtesy copy to the MEPRS functional mailbox to ensure a quicker response and resolution to your requests. Please keep in mind the sender of the AMPO messages is our Administrative assistant Ms. Bell. Unless noted otherwise please do not send your responses to Ms. Bell and refer them to your AMPO Analyst.

REPORTING OF CASE MANAGERS IN DMHRSi

Site personnel are responsible for ensuring that ONLY credentialed Case Managers with Occupation Code 0610 are identified with the Skill Type/Suffix of 3E. In analyzing the DMHRSi data for Case Managers, AMPO discovered some sites are also classifying their Care Coordinators with Occupation Code 0610 as 3E. Care Coordinators should be identified with the Skill Type/Suffix of 3R.

Please work with your Human Resource (HR) POCs to ensure that Nursing receives and validates a listing of the Case Managers with the Skill Type/Suffix of 3E. Nursing is responsible for validating that ONLY credentialed Case Managers are reported in DMHRSi as 3E. Sites using the AMPO data check tool can easily obtain this list.

FY13 DATA QUALITY
SITE SUMMARY REPORTS

Beginning with FY13 data AMPO will no longer provide the Data Quality (DQ) Site Summary Reports. However, as data is retransmitted for FY12 and any prior FY data, we will continue to run the queries and provide the DQ Site Summary Reports. AMPO is in the process of determining the appropriate data to review as part of the data quality efforts and review. When the data to be reviewed is determined, the queries will be developed and AMPO will post to the Corporate Documents within BOXi. MTF MEPRS personnel will then be responsible for running the queries and making corrections to the data based on the results of these queries. AMPO analysts will randomly select MTFs for review of their data using the same queries.

COAST GUARD REIMBURSABLES IN COMMITMENT ITEM 9300

Coast Guard is providing a payment up front for their Medical Service Reimbursable bills from our MTFs. MEDCOM RM has decided to receive that lump sum payment centrally at MEDCOM. The reimbursable Sales Order is set up under Fund Center A74ZZ (MEDCOM 'Corporate' account), there is no DMIS ID on this reimbursable.

Every quarter MEDCOM RM will be processing an allocation (cost transfer -commit/ob/exp/disb) to credit the MTFs direct funds and debit A74ZZ automatic funds. This will be based on the MTF's actual costs for treating Coast Guard service members. Since MEDCOM RM will be citing the MTFs Cost Center the credit will show in the EAS cost data file from GFEBS; but the debit side of the transaction will not, it will show under Commitment Item 9300 (again - against their direct funds).

AMPO wants the MTF MEPRS personnel to be aware of this action and to explain ahead of time the credit that they may be seeing in the EAS cost data file from GFEBS. These records may not be in the GFEBS EAS cost data file, however it is most likely visible in the GFEBS Parsing Reports.

AMPO guidance is to delete this from reporting in EASi. Delete any financial record with the 9300 CI (Overhead Labor) because 9300 is on the EASi EOR/SEEC table and maps to SEEC 25.65 (Misc Medical Contracts).

Having this reported in MEPRS would reflect an increased cost in contract labor when in this instance this is payment/reimbursement for medical bills for medical care provided to the Coast Guard beneficiaries.

Question: My computer has been upgraded to windows 7. Before the upgrade I was able to open multiple sessions of DMHRSi. Now I can't. How do I fix that?

Answer: To retain multiple sessions functionality please ensure your computer has the following setting:

I. Go to Start > Program Files.

II. Right click on the Internet Explorer icon and select Properties.

III. Add "no merge" to the end of the link in the Target field i.e.

"C:\Program Files\Internet Explorer\iexplore.exe" no merge.

IV. Click the OK button to close the window.

V. This icon may then be copied to the desktop if desired.

Hail & Farewells

We welcome the following new members and bid farewell to those who have retired/or embarked on new paths!

Hail

Employee	Site	Date

Farewell

Employee	Site	Date
Ms. Choe, Sung Hui	MEDDAC-K	30 November 2012
Ms. Sibylle Bickes	LRMC	1 December 2012
Ms. Rebecca McCracken-Pruske	MEDDAC-B	11 December 2012